

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR GENERATING HYPERLINKED PHYSICAL COPIES
OF HYPERLINKED ELECTRONIC DOCUMENTS

Abstract

- The present invention discloses a method and a system
5 for automatically generating an hyperlink table from an
electronic document comprising hyperlinks, for identifying,
locating and activating these hyperlinks from a physical
copy of this electronic document. The method, for use in a
user system, comprises the steps of:
- 10 • selecting an electronic document;
• creating an hyperlink table;
• associating said hyperlink table with a physical copy of
said electronic document, said physical copy comprising
one or a plurality of pages;
- 15 for each page of the physical copy:
• identifying in the electronic document, the one or
plurality of hyperlink items comprised in the page;
• storing in the hyperlink table an identification of each
identified hyperlink item;
- 20 • retrieving from the electronic document identification
and location of information and/or service associated
with each identified hyperlink item on the page;
• storing in the hyperlink table said identification and
location of information and/or service associated with
- 25 each identified hyperlink item;
• retrieving from the electronic document, electronic
coordinates of each identified hyperlinked item on the
page;

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